of the non-officials. If bigger amounts than this can be spent, or I would use a more stronger expression, wasted, I certainly find no reason why on this useful matter a little more money could not be spent.

Mr. Thomas Manjuran *(Government Advocate and Law Officer)*.—Sir, I was rather surprised that a certain amount of heat developed in the course of what appeared to me a placid resolution. What is more the Government is only too willing to accept the resolution. I think all the heat was due to extraneous matters that were grafted on to this. Whether more monies are required it is for the Government to consider. The resolution seems to be a reasonable one. What the resolution says can be achieved without further investment. I thought a resolution is moved as a resolution and I am only replying to it as such. All those irrelevancies which the Hon'ble Member gave expression to will better remain unanswered. The resolution simply says "that the Chief Court may be requested to arrange that in reporting considered judgments—I may here say that all judgments are considered—of that Court, the main arguments are also reported, *so that the points contested and decided may be made clear*". It is highly necessary for one thing that the judgment should make matters clear. Our Judges succeed very well in doing that. There may be a few cases where the reports may not contain all matters which are not directly taken up in judgment but which may be elucidated as intriguing to the profession or relevant directly or indirectly to the point at issue. Government will be only too glad to state that such arguments as come within the definition indicated in the resolution, namely, points contested and decided, may be made clear in the law reports. Government are fully convinced of the utility of adopting such a course and have very great pleasure in accepting the resolution as such and to ignore all other considerations put forward from one side or the other.

Resolution was accepted by Government.

17. Qualification for Panchayat Membership.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*.—*"This Council recommends to the Government that persons who have passed the School Final or equivalent examinations be declared eligible to become Panchayatdars"*.

Mr. President, Sir, the resolution speaks for itself. The present rule is that only persons who are blessed with a tax of

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10 rupees minimum, either in their own name or in the name of their family can contest elections for Panchayatdars' places. It seems that more efficient persons could be had from amongst the category of persons I have mentioned in this resolution than could be had from the tax-paying class. Therefore without any further comments I place the resolution before the House for its consideration and acceptance.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi).*—I second it.

Dr. E. S. R. Menon *(Director of Public Health and Panchayats).*—Sir, this subject was discussed in the last Budget Session and Government then made it clear that they do appreciate the question of prescribing literary qualifications for Panchayatdars but the main object in insisting on property qualification is to secure persons who would remain on the spot and who would exercise some influence on the everyday administration of the Panchayat. If they are merely School Finals they will be always on the look out for appointments. Since this point has been brought to the notice of the Government again Government are prepared to examine the matter further. This was once brought to the notice of the Advisory Committee also. It will be again taken to the Advisory Committee and examined further.

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government).*—I suggest that a more detailed consideration may be postponed until the Advisory Committee has taken up the matter for consideration.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri).*—May I know what was the decision of the Committee when this matter was placed before them?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon *(Director of Public Health and Panchayats).*—No decision was arrived at but the matter was postponed for the next meeting.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri).*—I only pray that the consideration may be expedited. I request the House may be pleased to allow me to withdraw the resolution.

Resolution was, by leave, withdrawn.

18. Sanitary Improvements to Mattancheri.

Mr. M. V. Cherian *(Mattancheri, South).*—"*This Council recommends to the Government to take adequate steps for removing the filthy and insanitary plots lying within Mattancheri*".

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